

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to application 10/709,844, Response and Amendment filed on 03/02/2010 and 01/04/2010 respectively. Claims 1, 21 and 22 have been amended. Claims 6, 9-20 and 23-30 have been canceled. Claims 1-5, 7-8, and 21-22 remain pending in the application.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

3. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Melvin Chan (Reg. No. 39,626) on 04/01/2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

4. Cancel claims 13-14 and 23-29.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-5, 7-8, and 21-22 are allowed over prior art of record.

6. Considered arguments supplied by Applicant in the Amendment on 01/04/2010 as persuasive.

7. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance".

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to NAUM B. LEVIN whose telephone number is (571)272-1898. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (7:00-3:30).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jack Chiang can be reached on 571-272-7483. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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